

San Juan National Forest 2011 FALL COLOR REPORT

Date: **9/23/11**

Estimated Percentage of Current
Fall Foliage:

Durango – 15%

Silverton – 45% aspens

Pagosa – 15%

Dolores/Rico – 65% oakbrush

Mancos – 30%



[photo courtesy of San Juan Images](#)

Areas with Greatest Amount of Color / Recommended Viewing Areas:

Silverton area and above. 10,000 to 12,000 feet

Transfer area north of Mancos

Oakbrush in the river valleys is changing now

Estimated Peak Viewing Period:

Highest country, this weekend will be good but may peak next week sometime.

Other passes/ high elevation aspen groves, currently have some good pockets of color.

Viewing Suggestions / Tips:

Plan on driving a bit to find the best spots.

Trees That Are Currently Turning Color:

Aspens, grasses and low scrub oak.

For More Information on Fall Colors Please Contact:

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